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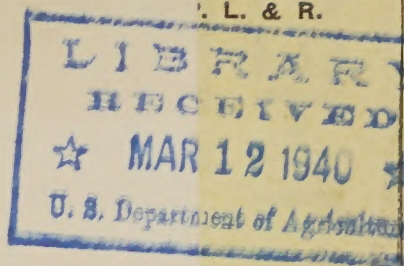
# Hill Dahlia Nurseries

Growers and Propagators of Fine Dahlias  
Welch Avenue at Somerset  
BATTLE CREEK, MICHIGAN

*Broadcasting*

*Michigan's Finest Dahlias*

PLANTS SCIENTIFICALLY GROWN ACCORDING TO THE LAWS OF NATURE



U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,

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**Satan, S. C. "Ballay-Success"**—Bloom 10x5, Bush 6 ft. One of the largest dahlias grown, and a consistent prize winner at the shows. Color, a bright flaming red with slight touch of gold at center. Horn-like petals which are perfectly rolled and incurved give unique form to the giant blooms. Highly recommended for exhibition. Honor Roll. One of the most popular dahlias today. Scored 87 at Storrs..... Root 40c; Plant .25

**Son of Satan (Slocum, 1937)**. An immense incurved cactus flame red with excellent stems. This sensational four Honor Roll Dahlia is the strongest and most vigorous grower in our collection. The flowers are large and attractive. .... Plant .50

**Sultan of Hillcrest (Scott), F.D.** Blooms 7½x5, bush 5 feet. The unique form with the petals recurving to the stem attracts one's attention. Huge blooms of lemon yellow with reverse of rosy pink on fine stems, giving an unusual color effect. A dahlia we can highly recommend. .... Plant .50

**Volcano (F.D.) "Richardson" 1937**—Bloom 12x6, bush 4½ ft. Always we like to offer large, vigorous varieties such as this fine Dahlia, which made the very high score of 89 at the Trial Grounds, and a runner up for the Achievement Medal. Long, strong stems, holding these very large flowers at an angle of 45 degrees. Color orange flame red; will not fade or burn. Won several blue ribbons as the largest flower. Giant size, grand bush and fine stem. .... Plant .50

**White Wonder (I.D.) "Black-Kemp"**—Bloom 11x6, Bush 5½ ft. Pure white. A monster. Probably the finest white dahlia ever produced, cleaning up the shows from coast to coast. Honor Roll. At the Mid-West Show in Grand Rapids, White Wonder won as the *largest and most perfect* bloom in the show ..... Root .25

**White Emperor "Norton" 1932**—The finest white dahlia in cultivation today, bar none, the originator is to be congratulated, on this fine dahlia. Very sturdy, 6 foot grower and Oh what stems, a yard long, flower large and looks you right in the face. If we were to give this dahlia a rating we would say 95%. This dahlia is bound to become famous from coast to coast ..... Root .25

## A MESSAGE TO OUR MANY CUSTOMERS

We would like to shake hands with you and thank you personally for the many favors you have extended us from Maine to Oregon, the past few years, but this we know is impossible. But at any rate you know our heart is in the right place. We are always at your service and willing at all times to serve you in the best possible manner.

The greatest pleasure we have had this season, is the large number of letters that are coming in saying that our stock was fine and asking for our catalog. This makes us feel good, and shall try and fill every order this season with the very best that we have in all cases, and still keep this good feeling with all our customers. When you purchase from us by mail we want you to feel that you have purchased your stock from an old friend, and do not forget if you are ever in Battle Creek, Michigan, call on us; you have the key and are welcome. Just make yourself at home.

## BARGAINS IN STANDARD VARIETIES

The Following, 10c each

In order to make room for the new ones and reduce our plantings, we list many fine ones in this selection. Stock limited of many, so when ordering after April 1st make second choice. All varieties named and labeled.

**Bashful Giant (F.D.)**—One of the largest dahlias ever introduced; a great attractive exhibition flower. Color, apricot with golden suffusion and shading, with the flower slightly drooping

**Jane Cowl (I.D.)** "Downs"—Bloom 10x6, Bush 5½ ft. Immense blooms, deep and full of glistening bronze buff. The stems are long and stiff and straight; and they hold the flower just as it should be held—looking at you and slightly up. The bush is fairly tall, with vigorous, thick, dark green foliage. No Dahlia has given more universal satisfaction than Jane Cowl, and no other has won so many prizes since it was introduced in 1928  
-----75c per dozen

**Jersey's Beacon**—A favorite with many gardeners and one of the finest of all dahlias. Of enormous size and carried on elegant long and strong stems. Chinese-scarlet with lighter reverse

**Mrs. I. D. Ver Warner**—Rose, pink-shaded lavender. One of the best dahlias in cultivation, ten-inch blooms and a wonderful grower

**Sagamore (F.D.)** Golden amber shaded orange buff. Fine for cutting

**W. H. T. (F.D.)**—Rich old rose with mauve shadings on reverse. A long stemmed variety with good growing habits.

**William A. Hogan**—Garnet red with white running down the center of each petal. Always true to form. The best variegated dahlia we know of.

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15c Each

**Avalon (F.D.)**—A great Dahlia of fine form and carried on a strong stem. The color is rich lemon-yellow. Fine for cutting, as the flowers keep particularly well

**Harry Mayer (F.D.)** "Reed"—A fine exhibition dahlia having size, depth, wonderful stem, full center and sturdy healthy bush growth. Its color is a beautiful silvery pink with a rose pink reverse. Very satisfactory

**Margaret W. Wilson**—A magnificent dahlia in every respect. Wonderful bloomer, huge blossoms of creamy-white, shaded pink. We grow large quantities of this very fine dahlia

**Oriental Glory (I.D.)** — Dazzling balls of deep orange. The color is most pleasing, orange overlaid with scarlet.

**Prince of Persia (D)** Red.

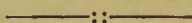
**Elizabeth Slocombe (D)** Purple.

**Scaramouche (C)** Indian Red.

## 15c Each

Spirit of St. Louis (D) Dark Red.

The Commodore (I.D.)—One of the largest and most prolific blooming of all dahlias. Color is a brilliant yellow. Strong stems. We have counted 10 and 12 large blooms on a plant 10 to 14 inches across and this plant was grown from a potted green plant.



## 20c Each

Agnes Young—SC. Large, soft velvety red, tipped gold.

Garner Giant (F.D.)—A new one from Canada, one of the finest growers in the garden, 7 to 8 feet and covered with giant deep garnet flowers from early until late.

Jersey's Beauty (F.D.) "Waite 86"—Bloom 6x4, Bush 6½ ft. Probably the most popular of any dahlia, especially as a cut flower. The ideal pink for exhibition or florist use. Large, deep flowers of perfect form on long stems. Free, early bloomer, with exceptional keeping qualities

Kathleen Norris (D) Large Pink.

Monmouth Champion (I.D.) "Kemp"—Bloom 12x5, Bush 3½ ft. The color of this marvelous dahlia is a bright xanthine orange,



## DAHLIA COLLECTIONS

Collection No. 1—Six good dahlias (our selection), all labeled. Complete collection..... .50

Collection No. 2—Six selected dahlias (our selection) of the better class, all big ones. Complete collection..... 1.00

Mammoth Collection No. 3—One dozen fine dahlias (our selection), all from the finest varieties, from stocks of which we may have a surplus. This collection is a wonderful bargain and worth many times the price. Complete collection..... 2.00

Gambler's Collection No. 4—Fifteen dahlia roots, which have lost off during digging, storage, etc. You take your own chances on this collection, they may be our finest varieties, at any rate they are worth the money as we do not grow any poor dahlias. Complete collection..... 1.00



Important Notice:—Do not order C.O.D. as this will cause a delay in shipment of plants or sprouted roots. All our packages are shipped under a state inspection label, rush live plants and must not be delayed.







## AMERICA'S GREATEST BALL DAHLIA

Mrs. C. D. Anderson — A mammoth purple-quilled ball dahlia with a silver sheen that keeps for days in the show room. We have at last a good supply of this dahlia, which grows for everyone. Owing to our large supply, we are making the following prices:

-----100 for \$5; 12 for \$1; each .10

## Green Plants

### SCIENTIFICALLY GROWN ACCORDING TO THE LAWS OF NATURE

But please remember Mr. Dahlia Fan, that our plants are scientifically grown without excessive heat and from base cuttings only, and grown in special containers, which are equivalent to a five inch flower pot, neither do we buy or sell any plants from the small flower pots in which the roots are sure to become root-bound. All our plants are hardened off in special cold frames for several weeks before shipment is made. Try a few of our plants and you will be a friend of our Nurseries for many years to come.

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**SPECIAL NOTICE**—If you send us an order, large or small, and will send us with the order the names of two friends you think will be interested in our dahlias we will include one extra dahlia with your order. This must be our selection, however.

### SPECIAL POM POM AND MINIATURE OFFER

Owing to the large 1939 sale of pom pom dahlias, our listing is very short. However, we have a great many but not in large enough quantities to list. Should you be interested in this type of dahlias just leave the selection up to us, we will surprise you.

Just say, send me your special collection of pom poms and miniatures and we will do the rest and please you in every way.

**SPECIAL ON THIS OFFER**—10 for \$1.50

**YOUR LUCKY STAR (C.) "American" 1939**—Bloom 12x7, bush 5 ft. Amaranth pink with white center, the color immediately demands admiration. The formation is also striking, the regularly arranged quilled petals form a very nice straight cactus. The stems are ideal and hold the huge flower in perfect poise. Mr. George Currie, of Wisconsin, one of the best authorities, says it is one of the **VERY BEST** new dahlias. On Honor Roll.----- Plant 1.00

## TO YOU, MR. DAHLIA GROWER

Write us your wants and we will take care of you at the lowest price possible for quality stock. We do not issue a big catalogue, as this costs money, which must be added to the cost of the roots or plants always. You know this. If you do not, it is just too bad when you pay the bill. Mr. L. Vincent of 635 Hamlin Ave., of this city, has just installed one of the finest hot water systems in Southern Michigan for us and we are in a position to serve you as never before. So be sure and write us your wants and we will take care of you on time with the finest of stock at all times.

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## OUR LOCATION

Drive on either West Michigan Ave. or West Van Buren St. to Limit Ave. and go one block north, then watch for the sign, Hill Dahlia Nurseries. Farm located two miles east of Assyria Center and one-half mile south. On this farm we grow the finest of field-grown roots for our many customers from coast to coast.

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**IMPORTANT:** We have hundreds of dahlias not listed, owing to the supply. Do not be afraid to write us, possibly we have just what you want at the right price, or can get them for you from some of the large wholesalers, with whom we are always in connection. We are at your service at all times, and ready to serve you.





America's Greatest Dahlia Sensation

# HILL'S PINK SUPREME

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The Dahlia for the Millions

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Hill, 1939, I. D. Probably the finest introduction ever placed on the market by any grower for the florist and cut flower trade. Blooms run around eight inches, on the longest stems of any dahlia in cultivation today, bar none. The greatest dahlia since the advent of Jersey Beauty, a long time ago. Just as good a keeper when cut and stems very much longer. Very prolific with dark green insect-resistant foliage, stems starting from the bottom of the plant and running straight up three to five feet long with this fine, dark pink dahlia looking you right in the face.

We are so much enthused with this wonderful new creation in a dahlia that we are willing to stake our entire reputation over a period of many years on this wonderful new creation. We desire to see this dahlia in every garden from coast to coast, therefore the following very low prices: **Roots, \$1.25. Plants, 50c; 3 for \$1. Rooted Cuttings, 20c ea.**

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## OAKLEIGH MONARCH

The red sensation. One of the finest reds growing. Very rugged, with fine stems. One of the best keeping flowers. Very large with great depth. If you have not grown this dahlia, do not overlook it. Our stock is of the best. **Plants, 40c.**

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## MARKET JEWEL

A semi-cactus dahlia that was the sensation in our gardens the past season. A wonderful grower with blooms of the finest dark velvet red. The shade will hook up well with the famous Dwight W. Morrow. If you do not grow this one you are overlooking the finest dahlia that you have ever had in your garden. Fine stems and a wonderful keeper. **Roots, \$1.00. Plants, 50c.**

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Offer Extended to March 10, 1940

# Dahlias! Dahlias!

NEW LOW PRICES

Lowest in History of Modern Dahlias.

We Are the Most Exclusive Growers of Modern Dahlias  
in Southern Michigan

March 10, 1940

These bargains are good only up to ~~December 1, 1939~~ cash in advance of this date. Please remember this offer positively expires on this date without fail, at which time regular catalogue prices will be in effect. Add 25c for Postage and Packing

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## SPECIAL OFFER A—Price \$1.00

One each of the following fine dahlias: Oakleigh Monarch (red), Hill's Pink Supreme (pink), Monmouth Queen (yellow), White Emperor (white), Myra Howard (saffron yellow and salmon). Total value after ~~December 1st~~ on these fine dahlias, \$1.80.  
March 10, 1940

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## SPECIAL OFFER B—Price 50c

One each of the following dahlias: Jersey's Beauty (pink), Mrs. C. D. Anderson (purple), Margaret W. Wilson (white shaded pink), Jerseys Beacon (Chinese scarlet), Jane Cowl (bronze buff). Total value after ~~December 1st, 80c~~ March 10, 1940, 80c

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ORDER ON THESE TWO SPECIAL OFFERS

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Visitors Are Always Welcome at Our Nurseries—  
Just Make Yourself at Home

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YES, WE HAVE CUT FLOWERS FOR ALL OCCASIONS,  
WITH STEMS THAT ARE OF THE BEST

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Oil Station and go two blocks north.

